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To amend the Bonneville Power Administration portions of the Fisheries Restoration and Irrigation Mitigation Act of 2000 to authorize appropriations for fiscal years 2008 through 2014, and for other purposes.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

MAY 24, 2007

Mr. WYDEN (for himself, Mr. SMITH, Mr. CRAIG, Mrs. MURRAY, Ms. CANTWELL, Mr. BAUCUS, Mr. CRAPO, and Mr. TESTER) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources

A BILL

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Fisheries Restoration
5 and Irrigation Mitigation Act of 2007”.

1 **SEC. 2. PRIORITY PROJECTS.**

2 Section 3(c)(3) of the Fisheries Restoration and Irri-
 3 gation Mitigation Act of 2000 (16 U.S.C. 777 note; Public
 4 Law 106–502) is amended by striking “\$5,000,000” and
 5 inserting “\$2,500,000”.

6 **SEC. 3. COST SHARING.**

7 Section 7(c) of Fisheries Restoration and Irrigation
 8 Mitigation Act of 2000 (16 U.S.C. 777 note; Public Law
 9 106–502) is amended—

10 (1) by striking “The value” and inserting the
 11 following:

12 “(1) IN GENERAL.—The value”; and

13 (2) by adding at the end the following:

14 “(2) BONNEVILLE POWER ADMINISTRATION.—

15 “(A) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary may,
 16 without further appropriation and without fiscal
 17 year limitation, accept any amounts provided to
 18 the Secretary by the Administrator of the Bon-
 19 neville Power Administration.

20 “(B) NON-FEDERAL SHARE.—Any
 21 amounts provided by the Bonneville Power Ad-
 22 ministration directly or through a grant to an-
 23 other entity for a project carried under the Pro-
 24 gram shall be credited toward the non-Federal
 25 share of the costs of the project.”.

1 **SEC. 4. REPORT.**

2 Section 9 of the Fisheries Restoration and Irrigation
3 Mitigation Act of 2000 (16 U.S.C. 777 note; Public Law
4 106–502) is amended—

5 (1) by inserting “any” before “amounts are
6 made”; and

7 (2) by inserting after “Secretary shall” the fol-
8 lowing: “, after partnering with local governmental
9 entities and the States in the Pacific Ocean drainage
10 area,”.

11 **SEC. 5. AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.**

12 Section 10 of the Fisheries Restoration and Irriga-
13 tion Mitigation Act of 2000 (16 U.S.C. 777 note; Public
14 Law 106–502) is amended—

15 (1) in subsection (a), by striking “2001 through
16 2005” and inserting “2008 through 2014”; and

17 (2) in subsection (b), by striking paragraph (2)
18 and inserting the following:

19 “(2) ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES.—

20 “(A) DEFINITION OF ADMINISTRATIVE EX-
21 PENSE.—In this paragraph, the term ‘adminis-
22 trative expense’ means, except as provided in
23 subparagraph (B)(iii)(II), any expenditure re-
24 lating to—

1 “(i) staffing and overhead, such as
2 the rental of office space and the acquisi-
3 tion of office equipment; and

4 “(ii) the review, processing, and provi-
5 sion of applications for funding under the
6 Program.

7 “(B) LIMITATION.—

8 “(i) IN GENERAL.—Not more than 6
9 percent of amounts made available to carry
10 out this Act for each fiscal year may be
11 used for Federal and State administrative
12 expenses of carrying out this Act.

13 “(ii) FEDERAL AND STATE SHARES.—
14 To the maximum extent practicable, of the
15 amounts made available for administrative
16 expenses under clause (i)—

17 “(I) 50 percent shall be provided
18 to the State agencies provided assist-
19 ance under the Program; and

20 “(II) an amount equal to the cost
21 of 1 full-time equivalent Federal em-
22 ployee, as determined by the Sec-
23 retary, shall be provided to the Fed-
24 eral agency carrying out the Program.

1 “(iii) STATE EXPENSES.—Amounts
2 made available to States for administrative
3 expenses under clause (i)—

4 “(I) shall be divided evenly
5 among all States provided assistance
6 under the Program; and

7 “(II) may be used by a State to
8 provide technical assistance relating to
9 the program, including any staffing
10 expenditures (including staff travel ex-
11 penses) associated with—

12 “(aa) arranging meetings to
13 promote the Program to potential
14 applicants;

15 “(bb) assisting applicants
16 with the preparation of applica-
17 tions for funding under the Pro-
18 gram; and

19 “(cc) visiting construction
20 sites to provide technical assist-
21 ance, if requested by the appli-
22 cant.”.

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